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Applicants: José B. Rivera et al.  
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Title: METHOD AND COMPOSITION FOR TREATING  
METAL SURFACES USING A POLYMER BLEND AND  
AN ORGANO-FUNCTIONAL SILANE  
TC/A.U.: 1762  
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- ☐ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page      of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page      of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet(s).
- ☐ **Amendments to the Abstract** are on page      of this paper. A clean version of the Abstract is on page      of this paper.
- ☒ **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.